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In re Patent Application of)
Yuka KOUYAMA et al.) Group Art Unit: 1745
Application No.: 09/867,383) Examiner: G. Cantelmo
Filed: May 31, 2001) Confirmation No.: 7012
For: HIGH FREQUENCY SPUTTERING)
DEVICE HAVING GROUNDING)
SHIELD)

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated December 2, 2002, please amend the
above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE TITLE:

Please change the title to: HIGH FREQUENCY SPUTTERING DEVICE HAVING
GROUNDING SHIELD.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace paragraph [0027] as follows:

[0027] Figure 3 is a magnified sectional front view showing the vicinity of a
section through the dielectric ring 50 and the metal ring 52. The inner circumferential face
of the dielectric ring 50 is in contact with the outer circumferential face of the cathode 38.

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Sir:

Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.

- ☒ A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.
- ☐ A Terminal Disclaimer and a check for ☐ \$55.00 (2814) ☐ \$110.00 (1814) to cover the requisite Government fee are also enclosed.
- ☐ Also enclosed is _____.
- ☐ Small entity status is hereby claimed.
- ☐ Applicant(s) request continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the ☐ \$370.00 (2801) ☐ \$740.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
- ☐ Applicant(s) previously submitted __, on __, for which continued examination is requested.
- ☐ Applicant(s) request suspension of action by the Office until at least __, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.
- ☐ A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (146/246) is also enclosed.
- ☐ No additional claim fee is required.

☒ An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

AMENDED CLAIMS					
	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	ADDT'L FEE
Total Claims	28	MINUS 26 =	2	× \$18.00 (1202) =	\$36.00
Independent Claims		MINUS =		× \$84.00 (1201) =	
If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$280.00 (1203)					
Total Amendment Fee					
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Amendment Fee					
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$36.00

☒ A claim fee in the amount of \$ 36.00 is enclosed.

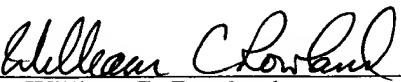
☐ Charge \$_____ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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